

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	:	CRIMINAL NO.	
v.	:	DATE FILED:	
ERNEST SELSER	:	VIOLATION:	
		18 U.S.C. § 924(a)(1)(A)	
	:	(false statement to federal firearms licensee -	
		10 counts)	

INDICTMENT

COUNTS ONE THROUGH TEN

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

At all times material to this indictment:

1. Delia's Gun Shop, 6104 Torresdale Avenue, Philadelphia and Fishtown Lock & Gun, 453 E. Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, each possessed a federal firearms license ("FFL") and were authorized to deal in firearms under federal laws.

2. FFL holders are licensed, among other things, to sell firearms and ammunition. Various rules and regulations, promulgated under the authority of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, govern the manner in which FFL holders are permitted to sell firearms and ammunition.

3. The rules and regulations governing FFL holders require that a person seeking to purchase a handgun fill out a Firearm Transaction Record, ATF Form 4473. Part of the Form 4473 requires that the prospective purchaser certify that all his or her answers on Form 4473 are true and correct. The Form 4473 contains language warning that "the making of a false oral or written statement or the exhibiting of any false or misrepresented identification with respect to this transaction is a crime punishable as a felony."

4. FFL holders are required to maintain a record, in the form of a completed Form 4473, of the identity of the actual buyer of firearms sold by the FFL holder, including the buyer's home address and date of birth.

5. On or about the dates listed below, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

ERNEST SELSER,

in connection with the acquisition of each of the firearms listed below from the FFL holders listed below, knowingly made a false statement and representation with respect to information required by the provisions of Chapter 44, Title 18, United States Code, to be kept in the FFL holder's records, in that defendant ERNEST SELSER certified on the Form 4473 that defendant was the actual buyer of the firearm listed on the Form 4473, when in fact, as defendant knew, this statement was false and fictitious.

Count	Date	FFL Location	Firearm	Serial Number
1	July 31, 2000	Fishtown Lock & Gun 453 E. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol	P066421
2	August 1, 2000	Delia's Gun Shop 6104 Torresdale Ave. Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol Hi-Point 9mm pistol	P206501 P207840
3	September 2, 2000	Fishtown Lock & Gun 453 E. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA	Bryco Arms/Jennings 9mm pistol	1436723
4	September 26, 2000	Delia's Gun Shop 6104 Torresdale Ave. Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol	P207839
5	September 29, 2000	Fishtown Lock & Gun 453 E. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA	Bryco Arms/Jennings 9mm pistol	1437508
6	November 3, 2000	Delia's Gun Shop 6104 Torresdale Ave. Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol Hi-Point 9mm pistol	832643 832640
7	November 4, 2000	Fishtown Lock & Gun 453 E. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point .380 caliber pistol	P743070
8	November 9, 2000	Delia's Gun Shop 6104 Torresdale Ave. Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol	P208367
9	November 21, 2000	Delia's Gun Shop 6104 Torresdale Ave. Philadelphia, PA	Hi-Point 9mm pistol	P068778
10	November 25, 2000	Fishtown Lock & Gun 453 E. Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA	Bryco Arms/Jennings 9mm pistol	1407619

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(a)(1)(A).

A TRUE BILL:

FOREPERSON

PATRICK L. MEEHAN
United States Attorney